

ness. The forms they admired and loved are gone, the eyes that looked into theirs with the tenderest affection are sightless, and the voices that cheered and stirred their souls have long since been silent. Their early world of hope and joy has become a desolation, and they sit in silence contemplating the ruin that has been wrought. They are

Only waiting till the shadows  
Are a little longer grown

to pass on to the reunion that awaits them and the glad greetings of those they love. Who would not do what he can to cheer the loneliness of the aged, to smooth their pathway and comfort them in their declining years?

## Missions

### Charter Members of the Foreign Missionary Society of the Brethren Church

- 1 Ethlin Clark, Philadelphia.
- 2 Vianna Detwiler, Ridgely, Md.
- 3 Jane Hance, Philadelphia.
- 4 J. B. Wampler, Apollo, Pa.
- 5 Emma Lichty, Allentown, Pa.
- 6 C. F. Yoder, Warsaw, Ind.
- 7 Alice Harley, Allentown, Pa.
- 8 Cora Snyder, Waterloo, Pa.
- 9 Kate Harley, Allentown, Pa.
- 10 J. C. Cassel, Philadelphia.
- 11 Mrs. J. C. Cassel, Philadelphia.
- 12 James Bellis, Allentown, Pa.
- 13 Mrs. James Bellis, Allentown, Pa.
- 14 Marcus A. Witter, Ashland, Ohio.
- 15 Etta Lichty, Waterloo, Iowa.
- 16 Mary Wise, Cerro Gordo, Ill.
- 17 Naomi Wilson, Elkhart, Ind.
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- 19 Mrs. L. S. Bauman, Philadelphia.
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- 21 Emily B. Gnagey, Ashland, Ohio.
- 22 Mrs. Emelia Bauman, McLouth, Kan.
- 23 J. M. Fox, Cambria, Ind.
- 24 Wm. H. Miller, N. Manchester, Ind.
- 25 Ida Simmonds, Goshen, Ind.
- 26 J. L. Kimmel, Dayton, Ohio.
- 27 Prof. J. Allen Miller, Ashland, O.
- 28 Henry Rinehart, Flora, Ind.
- 29 Sarah C. Rinehart, Flora, Ind.
- 30 J. O. Talley, Chicago, Ill.
- 31 Amy Pemm, Camden, Ind.
- 32 Myrtle Arnott, Flora, Ind.
- 33 G. W. Rench, Goshen, Ind.
- 34 Maude Wingard, Flora, Ind.
- 35 A. S. Menaugh, Goshen, Ind.
- 36 Prof. W. D. Furry, Ashland, O.
- 37 James Rodenbaugh, Williamstown, O.
- 38 B. H. Flora, Nappanee, Ind.
- 39 T. C. Leslie, Roann, Ind.
- 40 W. M. Lyon, Washington, D. C.
- 41 Alma Hardman, South Bend, Ind.
- 42 I. D. Bowman, Philadelphia.
- 43 Ellen Laney.
- 44 J. M. Tombaugh, Hagerstown, Md.
- 45 W. S. Baker, Cerro Gordo, Ill.
- 46 Mrs. Ellen G. Lichty, Falls City, Neb.
- 47 Catharine Meyers, Millersburg, Iowa.
- 48 E. S. Braker, South Bend, Ind.
- 49 Mrs. Owen Switzer, Warsaw, Ind.
- 50 David Augustine, South Bend, Ind.
- 51 Mrs. Alice Augustine, South Bend, Ind.
- 52 Josiah Mems, Mexico, Ind.
- 53 Emma Hauser, Lakeville, Ind.
- 54 D. F. Eikenberry, Ashland, O.
- 55 M. D. Kerr, Bryan, O.
- 56 Mary Obenchain, Logansport, Ind.
- 57 Mrs. Minnie Miller, Brooklyn, Iowa.
- 58 Clarence Yoder, Lincoln, Neb.

All of the foregoing have paid five dollars into the Society during the first year of its organization, and two of them fifty dollars for life memberships, and are therefore entitled to be enrolled as charter members.

Besides the above receipts the King's Children Society of Falls City contributed \$10; the Junior Y. P. S. C. E. of Warsaw \$5; the North Liberty church, Ohio, \$2.76 and the Ankenytown church, Ohio, \$6 18, making the total receipts for the first year \$403.94.

JACOB C. CASSEL, Treas.

### Report of Chicago Church Fund

Receipts previously reported,	\$276 01
N. P. Eglin, Hamlin, Kans.,	20 00
A Sister, Philadelphia, Pa.,	1 00
Bertha Baughman, Williamstown, O.,	5 00
J. J. P., Waterloo, Iowa,	25 00
Eld. and Mrs. Josiah Keim, Ashland, O.,	10 00
A Brother, Goblesville, Ind.,	1 00
Mary A. Snyder, Glovers Gap, W. Va.,	8 00
Samuel Lichty, Falls City, Neb.,	50 00
Liva Lichty, " " "	20 00
Mrs. John Lichty, Falls City, Neb.,	25 00
Mrs. Josiah Maus, Mexico, Ind.,	10 00
	451 01

This report shows that some of the brethren and sisters are in earnest about the Chicago church purchase in fact it is purchased; it simply remains for us to pay for it now, and the time is short as it is necessary for the Board to have some idea of the amount of contributions it can depend, so it can negotiate a loan for the amount needed January 1st, when settlement in full must be made. It is to be hoped that the pastors will take up the matter with their congregations at once and thus finish this canvass by December 1st. It would be wisdom and economy to raise the whole six thousand dollars and pay for the property at once and thus avoid interest payments in the future, and we can do it without any real inconvenience to any one if we only think so.

JACOB C. CASSEL,  
Sec. M. B. of the B. C.

### FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Another glorious day last Sunday. Another precious soul added to the church by baptism at the close of the morning service. In the evening we held our love feast. The presence of Jesus was very manifest and we feel confident that good impressions were made. Confirmation services were held in connection with the preliminaries of the feast. Sister Buckey, whose home is at New Windsor, Maryland, and who was received into the church within the last year, came to the love feast for which we were glad, but our greatest pleasure was that her husband accompanied her and was baptized and received into the church. Brother and Sister Buckey live near Linwood, Maryland, the place we have referred to several times where we have done some preaching, and where we expect to preach again in the future. We ask that all who love the Lord join us in praying for that work.

I must not close until I tell you that we are now blessed with the presence of Brother E. E. Haskins, of Johnstown, Penna, in a series of revival meetings. He came to us on the 9th inst. We protracted the meetings beginning with the time of the feast, and preached each night till he joined us. Prospects are good for a great work to be done. Pray for us.

I had planned for a surprise for the con-

gregation in having Brother Haskins to join us in the work, and had entertained the hope that he would be present at the communion services, but in that we were disappointed, the secret leaked out, and the only one surprised was Brother Lyon. We hope to report blessed results a week later.

In His name. W. M. LYON.

315, 9th St., S. E.

### An Indian Child's Prayer

Miss Mary P. Lord, a teacher among the Sioux Indians, tells us this beautiful little story:

"An Indian baby was dying. It lay in its father's arms, while near by stood another little daughter, a few years older, who was a Christian.

"Papa," said his little daughter, "little sister is going to heaven to night. Let me pray."

"As she said this, she kneeled at her father's knee, and this was the sweet little prayer which fell from her lips:

"Father God, little sister is coming to see you to-night. Please open the door softly, and let her in. Amen."

### The Secret of Their Power

One of the most successful of the men who have carried the religion of Christ to the heathen, says the Youth's Companion, was Bishop Goleridge Patteson, who spent his life among the savages in Melanesia. He often went to islands where no white man had ever been seen before, made friends with the natives, carried back the young men to his school, and lived there with them in companionship as close as if they had been his brothers or sons.

"The Melanesian savage," he wrote home, may be cannibal, but he is always a gentleman. Sometimes I fear that when we impose calico trousers and other little civilized habits upon him he degenerates into a 'gent.'"

Bishop Patteson did not require his converts to change their language, nor any customs which were not immoral. "It is a waste of time," he said. "We do not want to make them Englishmen, but Christians."

"The missionary," he says elsewhere, "should recognize the good in his heathen pupil and in the religion which he has already, and not condemn them utterly."

Such a course is just and wise in the missionary to the slums of our cities as well as in his brother in Melanesia.

The new Bishop of London was for many year before his appointment to that see an ardent worker in the most vicious districts of the city, and experience has taught him some things which are new to his more conventional brethren.

During some public ceremony, the other day, the bishop hastily excused himself to his colleagues and stepped aside to shake hands with a man in the crowd. When he returned he said: "That's an old friend of mine. He's just out of prison. I was afraid